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Greater Sacramento Area Couples

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Happy Birthday



1	Mark	(of Ken)
4	Pat	(of Lou)
4	Carol	(of Carol)
10	Juan	(of Al)
18	Toni	(of Kathy)
20	Fredrick	(of Mark)
25	Debora	(of Cheryl)
28	Patrick	(of Jim)
31	Marty	(of Shawn)



Happy Anniversary



11	Lisa and Missy's	5th
22	Stephen and Ty's	2nd

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Two new couples became members of GSAC at last month's Spaghetti Feed and General Meeting. Please join us as we welcome GSAC's newest members. Cheryl and Debora joined by way of the Rainbow f Festival and say they enjoy doing all sorts of just about anything. Nanci and Wendy learned of GSAC at the Lambda Freedom Festival They enjoy dining out and the theater. (see Tid-Bits for more on these couples)

PAST HAPPENINGS

Spaghetti Dinner

We met and shared a fine spaghetti feed at the Belle Coolidge Community Center. The more intimate room, excellent company, and good food, made the evening very pleasant. Al and Mandie looked positively professional in their white chef hats. Elaine and Margie made a wonderful vegetarian red sauce. Mandie and Lisa made a superb red meat sauce. Both the sauces were well received, and the Italian ices were a refreshing touch for dessert. However, the best feature was the chance to meet and talk with new members and prospective friends.

FUTURE EVENTS

October Meeting

Saturday, October 14th GSAC's General Meeting will be held again at our new meeting place, the Belle Coolidge Community Center, located at 5699 Southland Park Drive (South East corner of Fruitridge and Southland Park Drive). At our General meeting this month we will be welcoming some friends from the CapCac group who will discuss issues on the

November Ballot. So, attend this informational meeting, sort out the issues, become more informed, and then GO VOTE!

We also hope that some of our MemberCouples that are thinking about running for a GSAC post will be in attendance so that we can all meet them. Please plan on bringing some snacks. As always, the GSAC cooler will be there.

DinnerOut at Hamburger Mary's

Friday October 20th 6:30, GSAC's dinner out will be at Hamburger Mary's. Your hosts for the evening will be Al & Juan (723-8644). Please RSVP by Tuesday October 17th.

Does anyone have a favorite restaurant? Can you host a dinner out? It's very simple. Just pick the place, and we'll have MemberCouples call you to make the reservations. Then all you have to do is call the restaurant, tell them how many people and show up. It's fun, it's easy and it's a good way to get involved with the group.

Operating Committee Meeting

The Operating Committee will be meeting October 8th. All members are invited and welcome. Please contact Mandie or Lisa at 683-2298 for the location and time. We have several important issues to discuss and we could sure use some help with planning new activities.

Capital AIDS Walk

It's that time again. The Capital AIDS Walk is scheduled to be on October 8th, so get those forms and start collecting names to sponsor you in the walk. Our community and the Sacramento AIDS Foundation sure do need the support.

Gay DAY at Great America

On Sunday, October 29th, Great America will be closed to the public, but open for a private party. Three Snaps Up is once again doing Great America, but with a difference over last year. This year, it is being held during the DAY!! The park will be open from 10am to 4 p.m.. The cost of the event is \$23.95, in advance, \$29.95 at the gate. Tickets can be purchased at Bass (there's a surcharge), or by calling Three Snaps Up at 800-473-8658. Last year was a great event, and the lines weren't as long as on a regular day, so, consider getting another couple to car-pool with you, and head on out. There will also be dancing, an ice skating show, and a guest singer, yet to be announced.

WHO WANTS TO GO SKIING ???

Ski season is about to start. Are there any avid, novice, would like to learn, "wanna-be skiers" out there? We have talked to a few people that like to ski, and would like to get a group together for day trips to the Tahoe area. A weekend trip is also feasible. If this sounds fun call Al/Juan (723-8644) soon so we know who you snow bunnies are.

BOARD NEWS

GSAC Directories Are Available

Juan and Al have put together the official GSAC MemberCouple Directory. The directories have all MemberCouples who have authorized the publishing of their addresses and phone numbers. Pick up your copy at a GSAC function soon, or contact Al and Juan (723-8644) and they will be happy to send you one.

straight neighbors miss some of the best lines.

The next night, it was off to see 'To Wong Foo, Thanks For Everything, Julie Newmar'. It's an unbelievable movie, an American 'Priscilla, Queen of the Desert'. But, it's good. At the showing we went to, (sold out!!), the audience really roared at some of the lines. And, if you want to see some of Hollywood's male leads in drag, definitely go girl!! Wesley Snipes has quite a bit of muscles, as does Patrick Swayze. Not too believable in drag, but I've seen worse! John Leggizamo is the most believable as a drag queen, or 'princess'(see the film, you'll understand this line). The town they transform in Nebraska, from broken down, to upbeat, is hard to believe, but then again, drag queens do have a way with decorating and clothes. We were surprised at the audience, and their reactions. Although the women behind us did have to have a couple of lines explained to her, the rest of them seemed to understand the innuendoes and nuances of gay, 'drag queen' talk. For a totally fantasy trip out of the house, lighthearted and fun, go see this movie. And, with this one, be prepared to laugh with the whole audience!!

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

This past week I was on the phone to our some of our newest members to find out more about them. What I asked was "Tell me five interesting facts about your partner". These facts are the results of these interviews.

Wendy responded about Nanci

1. Nanci is a computer whiz.
2. She is a Medical Assistant, hoping to become an R.N.
3. She loves biscotti and steamers (a hot milk drink)

4. She also loves Mexican food, Sushi, and Saki.

5. She has an alter ego in Sylvester, the cartoon cat and has a black and white cat named Sylvester.

Nanci responded about Wendy.

1. Wendy is or was a cabaret singer.
2. She is from New York and taught Nanci how to properly hail a cab.
3. She loves Ben and Jerry's Sweet Cream and Cookies ice cream.
4. She is also a big fan of Mexican food, Sushi, and Saki.
5. She has an alter ego in Tweety Bird and has an orange and white cat named Tweety.

Do you feel that you know these two a little better? They sure sound like a fun couple to get to know. If you think so too, why not give them a call, and welcome them to the group. We hope to see them often at our meetings. Thanks for responding to my nosy inquiries, and I hope others will be as gracious in future newsletters.

RECRUITING



The Sacramento Womens Chorus is actively seeking new members. If you are a woman, and love to sing, regardless of your ability to read music, you may contact Mary WillAllen, the director at 482-7229.

BINGO

Remember, Mandie would love some company on the bus ride to Colusa, so if you like to play Bingo, and possibly win BIG, give a call at 683-2298

Well, It's Time to Pay Those Membership Dues \$\$\$

Our semi-annual dues are due October 1st. In your Newsletter, is a renewal notice to send in your \$30.00 check to pay for October through March membership. Please remember to fill out the enclosed slip so we know where the payment came from. Members that have not paid their dues by November 1st will be taken off the mailing list and be asked to pay the non-member fees at any future events.

We enjoy your company so, please return your dues as soon as possible. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

GSAC Elections

It come that time of the year where GSAC starts it's election process. Included in this newsletter is a Nomination Form that incorporates the seven (7) board positions, their duties, and a place to nominate member couple(s) to fill each position. These Nomination Forms are to be returned to the GSAC Election Committee P.O. Box 861 Sacramento, CA 95812 by October 15th. Please mark your return envelope with "Nomination Committee".

We encourage all Member Couples to nominate any MemberCouple that they would like to see on the Operating Committee, or you may nominate yourselves. Become more involved in GSAC and be of service to the remainder of the group. Any MemberCouple is eligible to be nominated for election to any position on the Operating Committee.

An Election committee is in the process of being selected and they will be notifying all nominees that they have been nominated. All nominees are encouraged to submit a brief biography or statement

as to why the MemberCouple would like to fill that particular position. This biography or statement will appear in the November Newsletter. A MemberCouple can appear on the ballot for only one position. The elections will be held at the December general meeting. Absentee ballots will be made available to those MemberCouples not able to attend. All ballots will be counted at the December meeting and the new board will start on January 1st, 1995.

Your Assistance is need for the Election Committee

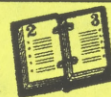
We are soliciting assistance for the Election committee for the elections to be held in December. According to our by-laws, two people are to be appointed by the Operating Committee. These two must consist of two members who are not running for office, and represent two different MemberCouples. We are looking for volunteers to help get this going NOW. Please contact any Board Member to volunteer. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

TID-BITS

Movie Reviews (by Don & Ken)

For a couple of guys who don't go to the movies often, we spent two nights the first week of October in the movie house! We attended the Sacramento premier of *Jeffrey*, and saw a number of other membercouples in the house. This is a cute movie, and worth the price. Wait until you see 'Capt. Piccard' of 'Star Trek', "queen it up" on the screen. The acting is very good. We had seen the play a few weeks ago, and the staging of the movie made some points more understandable. Much of the fun is from all the insider jokes; just don't be surprised if your

UP COMING EVENTS



Listed below are events that are coming soon. The events listed in bold type, and slightly larger print, are GSAC events. The others are community functions that we thought you would like to know about. We hope you can be with us soon and maybe help in planning or hosting one of the events:

October 1995

- 1 Membership dues come due
- 1 **Castro Street Fair**
- 6 Women's Chorus at "Take Back The Night"
- 7 Women's Chorus at Barnes & Nobel Bookstore at Arden Mall
- 8 Capital AIDS Walk
- 14 **General Meeting**
- 20 **Dinner Out**
- 28 **Halloween Party**
- 29 Gay day at Great America

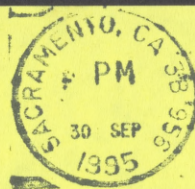
November 1995

- 18 **GSAC's Annual Thanksgiving**

December 1995

- 9 **Holiday Party - Elections and General Meeting**
- 9 Sacramento Womens' Chorus' annual winter concert.
- 15-17 Gay Day at Disneyland
- 16-17 Sacramento Mens Chorus "Due North"
- 24 San Francisco Mens Chorus at the Castro Theater

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Castro Street Fair	2	3	4	5	6	7
8  6:00pm Oper. Comm Hosted by Mandie & Lisa* Sacramento AIDS WALK	9 Columbus Day (Observed) 	10  Juan (of Al)	11  Lisa & Missy's 5th (1990)	12	13	14 7:00pm General Meeting -Cap/Pac Ballot Issues Belle Coll* 
15 Deadline for Newsletter Articles	16	17	18  Toni (of Kathy)	19	20  6:30pm Dinner Out - hosts by Juan & Al 723-8644  Fredrick (of Mark)	21
22  Stephen & Ty's 2nd (1993)	23	24	25  Debora (of Cheryl)	26	27	28  Patrick (of Jim) Julie (of Gwen)
29 Gay Day at Great America Daylight Savings (Fall Back) 	30	31  Marty (of Shawn) Halloween 				

* a GSAC event-non-members are asked to pay \$3.00 per person

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Statement of Purpose

Greater Sacramento Area Couples (GSAC) is an affiliate member of Couples National Network, Inc. Couples National Network's founding principle is providing social, educational, and humanitarian outreach to persons participating in lesbian or gay relationships. We do not have any specific religious or political affiliations. Our interest is in supporting the positive aspects of our relationships and the sense of stability that they represent for our community and lifestyle.

GSAC Committee Couples for 1995

Please call any of these couples if you desire more information about GSAC. You can also write to GSAC at Post Office Box 861, Sacramento CA 95812-0861.

Chair Couple	Al and Juan	Phone: (916) 723-8644
Vice Chair Couple	Ida and Sue	Phone: (916) 689-1927
Finance Couple	Nina and Sonya	Phone: (916) 726-3992
Newsletter Couple	Lisa and Mandie	Phone: (916) 683-2298
Publicity Couple	Fredrick and Mark	Phone: (209) 274-4036
Membership Couple	Elaine and Margie	Phone: (916) 726-3579
Activities Committee	Don and Ken	Phone: (916) 924-8890

Dues and Costs of Attending GSAC Events

GSAC couples pay dues of \$5 per month (paid semiannually) to cover the costs of the newsletter, meeting room, decorations, etc. As a result, regular monthly meetings and most events and functions are free to members. Nonmembers and guests may be asked to contribute a nominal fee to attend some events. Such fees will be indicated in the event description in the monthly newsletter.

If you wish to join GSAC, please contact the Finance Couple. Dues are prorated to expire on a common date (either April 1 or October 1). Also, there is a \$10 registration fee that covers personalized name tags for each new member.

Articles Printed in Newsletter

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GSAC's Mailing List and Your Privacy

GSAC does not assist in the dissemination of data on its members. It is the policy and the practice of GSAC and Couples National Network, Inc. neither to publish last names, addresses, or phone numbers of members nor to release this information to anyone for any reason. Simply stated: We do not sell or give-away our membership list.

GSAC only uses first names in the monthly newsletter. We will not print your phone number in any article without prior approval. If you volunteer to host a function, we will not print your address in the newsletter. Rather, we will print the first names and telephone numbers (with prior approval) of the couple responsible for organizing the event. The organizing couple will give additional information and directions for the event.

Couples National Network - Parent Organization and Affiliates

This listing of our parent organization and affiliates is current as of the date of this newsletter. Contact any of these affiliates if you will be visiting one of these cities.

Couples National Network, Inc.,
Post Office Box 33724, San Diego, CA 92163-3724
Contact Sandy and Janice (619) 692-1574

Couples of Miami Valley,
Post Office Box 14004, Dayton, OH 45414
Contact John and Paul (513) 228-5352

Alamo Couples,
Post Office Box 12446, San Antonio, TX 78212-2446
Contact Dayle and Raymond (210) 653-8348

Couples of San Francisco Bay Area,
P.O. Box 191745, San Francisco, CA 94119-1745
Contact Sam and Ted (415) 929-8402

Couples of Arizona,
Post Office Box 7144, Phoenix, AZ 85011-7144
Contact Carolyn and Evelyn (602) 253-5802

Inland Empire Couples,
Post Office Box 3033, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729-3033
Contact Tony and Tex (909) 783-7736

Couples of San Diego,
Post Office Box 33724, San Diego, CA 92163-3724
Contact Q and Jo (619) 219-5757

Couples of Pennsylvania (COPA),
1622 S. Braddock Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15218-1638
Contact Bob and Harry (412) 371-6269

Couples of Metro Dallas,
Post Office Box 803156, Dallas, TX 75380
Contact Davis and Arnold (214) 492-4606

Bayshore Couples
750 Carolina Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086
Contact David & David (408) 735-8777